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## STUDENT FEES TRIUMPH IN COURT TEST

The constitutionality of mandatory student fees at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln was a big question in the courts this week.

Federal District Court Judge Warren Urbom ruled Monday that the University of Nebraska is not constitutionally prohibited from collecting mandatory student fees.

On Tuesday, the Nebraska State Supreme Court heard arguments involving an earlier decision where a district court judge dismissed a similar case because he felt there was no question of the University's right to collect the fees.

The Monday decision came in a memorandum filed in a suit against N.U. by a student, Richard Veed, who sought an injunction to prohibit the fee collection.

According to Urbom, the "essential issue" of the case can be summed up as "Is a state University constitutionally prohibited from providing a forum for the expression of political and personal opinions with financial support of mandatorially assessed student fees?"

"In my judgment," Urbom decided,

"the answer must be in the negative."

In the hearing on the suit, Veed's attorney, Lawrence Murphey, argued that the fees were being used to fund a "propaganda" effort against U.S. involvement in Vietnam. Veed contended his constitutional rights of free speech were being abridged.

"The difficulty of the plaintiff's position is that it assumes a fact that finds no support in the evidence: that in its program of supporting extra-curricular speakers and a student newspaper, the university assumes the role of advocate for the particular philosophy expressed by the speakers and the newspaper," Urbom held.

Educational freedom was the University's main contention in substantiating its right to assess the monies.

Urbom supported their argument. "Our states, through their colleges and universities, must retain the freedom and

flexibility to put before their students a broad range of ideas in a variety of contexts."

Bruce Beecher, president of the Associated Students of the University of Nebraska, was "extremely pleased" by the decision both from a personal and student government point of view. Condemnation of student fees has long been aimed at the workings of student government as well as the student newspaper and student programming.

The State Supreme Court is now involved in the fees fury because, over a year ago, four students sought an injunction to stop fees assessment. (The Veed suit came last June.)

The late District Court Judge Bartlett Boyles dismissed the case in the lower court because he considered the University's right to collect the fees unquestionable.

The court should render a decision in four to six weeks.



**NEW WOOD TO REST YOUR BONES AND BURGERS** — New furniture comes to the Coffeehouse. How long will the new look last?

# Bureaucratic Shuffle During Break Brings on Changes



In most of the traditional pictures that come to the mind's eye when a person thinks of college, they see the old ivy-covered brick walls with young men and women walking in and out of the buildings at a sedate pace.

All of them are carrying books under their arms. Dotted here and there couples and groups are seen on the green landscaped expanse. Alas, picturebook or pipedreams are not reality, and even if they were, the changes brought about through time would evolve them into a different creature.

Over this Christmas break UNO experienced the death of one traditional era and the birth of a new "reorganization" in educational and student services. UNO Chancellor Ronald Roskens asked and received permission by the Board of Regents to change the titles and duties of some positions as they were recommended to him by Vice-Chancellor Ronald Beer.

Roskens summed up the justification by saying, "The Student Personnel structure (at UNO) was somewhat out of tune with present day methods of operation and so after considerable study and wide consultation it was deemed advisable to move towards the student developmental model."

Effective as of last Monday there are four coordinators established over the following areas: Educational Services, Minority Affairs, Student Services, and Student Developmental Programs. In the immediate future no new staff is being added but the search is soon to be started to fill the position of Coordinator for Minority Affairs.

"A selection committee," according to Beer "with

representatives including minority students," will be started to find the new minority head. The other areas will receive the needed personnel "as resources permit, with priorities given."

Donald Pfisterer, ex-dean of student personnel is the director of the Student Center, and will act as acting coordinator of student developmental programs. Dr. Gale Oleson, who will continue as director of the UNO Counseling and Testing Center, will also be coordinator of student services.

Other UNO staff involved in reassignments include Mrs. Thelma Engle, formerly director of social services. She is director of student activities, William Gerbracht, past associate dean of student personnel, will become assistant registrar. Don Roddy, now director of student financial aid, will also be in charge of scholarships and student employment.

The new arrangement is the university's attempt to "streamline and coordinate functions, place more emphasis on student development, and better utilize professional staff and clarify student services, identifying clearly who is responsible for what."

A run-down of the reorganization of the staff beneath Beer is as follows.

Coordinator of Educational Services — this position is vacant and will stay that way for a while. It covers Audio-Visual Department, Radio-TV, Registrar, and Admissions.

Coordinator of Minority Affairs — as mentioned earlier the manhunt is on to find someone. It is hoped that this position can be filled by someone who is "knowledgeable about and sensitive to the

needs of minority groups such as Blacks, Chicanos, native Americans and the physically handicapped."

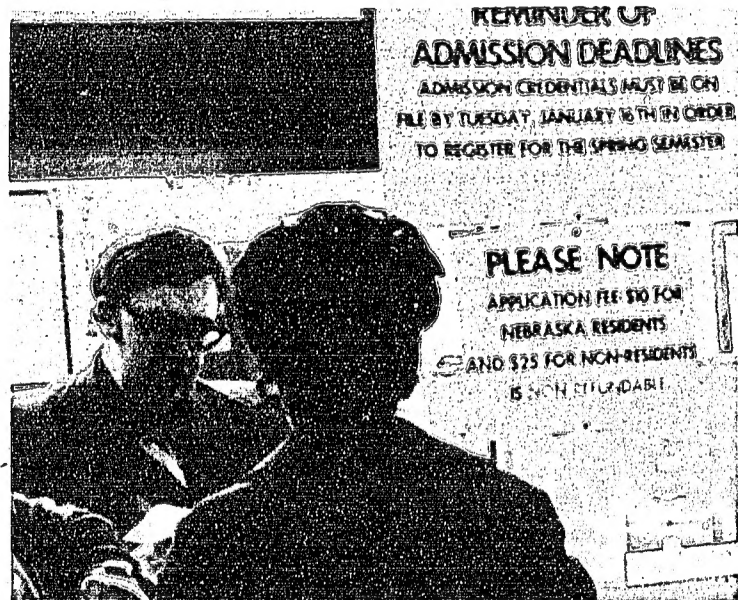
Coordinator of Student Services — (Dr. Gale Oleson) it handles the Career Development and Placement Center, Counseling and Testing, Financial Aid (Scholarships, and Student Employment), Health Service, Housing, Orientation, and Veteran's Affairs.

Coordinator of Student Developmental Programs — (Donald Pfisterer, acting) it will encompass Student Group Affairs, Intramurals, the Student Center, and Student Activities. The director of the Student Center will be responsible for food service, bookstore, building management, as well as the reservations office.

The director of student activities will be responsible for student organizations and programming along with student government.

What essentially has happened is the restructuring of areas with which students have the most contact. Ever since this summer, when the university created the system of chancellors and vice-chancellors with an avalanche of assistants, the question of how much the lower levels would be affected has arisen.

The restructuring in itself seems to be a nice tool but there are some people who look back at the less complicated days of yesterday with some sadness over the fact that UNO no longer has a president, a dean of students, a director of campus development, friendly neighbors and open channels of communication with the campus administration.



Jay Cox, Director of Admissions, deadline past

## Validated Cards May Not Be

In a policy established in the last week of the fall semester, late registration periods were immediately abolished. The new policy will not permit a UNO student to register for a current semester beyond the dates of regular registration unless there are extenuating circumstances.

This means that students who missed the pre-registration period that ended December 13 and also could not arrange a schedule during regular registration Monday through Wednesday of this week will have to come up with either good excuses or something else to keep busy this spring.

Previous University policy permitted prospective students to apply for admission during the regular registration period and as late as two weeks into the second semester.

Under the new policy, those with extenuating circumstances may be given consideration for special admission and registration up to the end of the first full week of classes.

Another problem that had effects on about 900 students is the new billing system for early registrants. If the \$75 minimum payment was not made before January 9, the student's classes were returned to the file and the validated orange IBM cards became worthless.

The weight of the blame must ride with the student who either forgot to make partial payment or never glanced at the hand-out received at the end of their early registration.

Due to the numerous cases involved and the probability that students may arrive in class with orange cards in hand only to find out that they are not enrolled, and without late registration to remedy their ills, it is in the attention of university administrators that the extenuating circumstances clause may include forgetfulness.

## Westward Ho the Lawyers

Power can be sensed even when it isn't exerted. UNO's potential power in westward expansion is being released in a flood of kinetic strength in the form of eminent domain.

Legal action has begun to secure the Oliver Wellman estate at 6817 Dodge Street. This is the first time in the two years of westward expansion that legal action has had to be initiated.

Mr. Wellman would like his property to be zoned commercial in order to increase the valuation. Months of negotiations between Wellman and the university have been fruitless.

## 500 Car Pile Up

The February meeting of the Board of Regents is expected to act upon a recommendation offered by Chancellor Roskens that an architectural engineering firm be selected by the Regents to supply cost figures for a multi-level UNO parking facility. The recommendation was referred to the Property Committee for study and possible course of action.

The points to be considered are the cost data involved in building the high rise structure to hold up to 500 cars, and a feasible location. The structure would be primarily for faculty and staff use.

Flash is Back  
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## Emergency Steps Taken to Ease Tuition Shortage

The Board of Regents has approved a \$430,170 emergency appropriation for the University of Nebraska system to help offset a budget deficit created last fall. The bill has yet to be approved by the legislature.

UNO would receive \$182,710 of the appropriation with which to help make up its own deficit of \$472,710.

Chancellor Ronald Roskens explained to faculty and staff last week that the remaining \$290,000 will be made up by using \$120,000 of unallocated funds in the current budget and by cutting operating expenses by \$170,000. A freeze will be put on faculty hiring and various other allocations such as travel and new equipment.

The deficit has been attributed to the impact of LB408, a bill changing residency requirements for out-of-state students, and a reduction in student credit hours.

Roskens said that during the fall semester LB408 resulted in a \$74,415 loss. Moreover, a \$108,295 additional loss is projected for the second semester and summer term due to the bill.

An unexpected reduction in the number of credit hours taken last semester brought a further loss of \$164,099. Added to the projected decrease in credit hours for next semester, this brings the total to a \$290,000 loss.

The losses accrued from LB408 and the credit hours has created the \$472,710 total drain on net tuition income this year. Consequently, adjustments have to be made. UNO originally budgeted \$6,181,613 and now projects \$5,703,903.

The original 1972-73 budget of 13,469,372 has been revised with a \$12,549,911 base.

## Speakers Bureau in Community Interest

Omaha and surrounding community groups may now secure the services of any of nearly 100 guest speakers who can cover collectively almost 200 topics.

From what heaven does this plethora of pedagogues descend? Try the University of Nebraska at Omaha Speakers Bureau.

The faculty and administration who are making themselves available do so in an attempt to respond to the university's commitment to the community.

A 12-page brochure distributed by the Department of University Relations lists alphabetically those willing to speak at various functions, as well as their topics.

The speakers listed in the brochure are available at no charge. An honorarium is acceptable, however, in keeping with the custom of the sponsoring organization.

To secure a copy of the brochure or the services of a speaker, call ext. 358 or 359.



## Reorganization

We students love Christmas presents. Especially when they're neatly wrapped, bound with Roskens ribbons, and conveniently delivered on Epiphany to the Regent's doorstep.

We know Christmas presents are supposed to be secrets. And we know it would have taken all the fun out of the holiday had we even an inkling of what was inside.

But Christmas is over and it seems somewhat strange that ever since the *Weekly Communicator* unwrapped the parcel for everyone to see, we're still stunned by its contents.

Perhaps the greatest reshuffling of UNO administration in recent times has just taken place.

A Dean of Student Personnel and his Associate were de-deaned. And what's more, the entire deanship was dissolved.

The former dean could have been moved for several reasons. Some consider him ineffectual over in the Administration Building. Others have said this is a good way to freeze his salary.

In any case, how could one define the duties of a Coordinator of Developmental Programs — Pflasterer's new title? If they thought Dean of Student Personnel was vague . . .

As for the former Associate Dean, William Gerbracht, he's been moved to a

less sensitive position as assistant registrar. Perhaps that's one secret students can stand.

A charming but very near retiring social director, by the name of Thelma Engle, was mysteriously transformed into the Director of Student Activities. She's now under Pflasterer even though she's been moved to his office, and he to MBSC 250 where she resided for so long. Confusing, yes?

Don Roddy, the student's perennial whipping boy, will no longer just deal with those students seeking financial aid and scholarships. He'll also be in charge of student employment. It's been suggested that this additional responsibility has been awarded to him because he has such a nice smile and because he's so-o-o sensitive.

Before this big change, Gale Oleson was just the head of Counseling and Testing. Now he's over such things as the placement office, financial aid, health service, housing, orientation, and veteran's affairs. There may be something to be said about losing the great race last summer to Dr. Beer. (Of course, these duties will be in addition to winning and dining the state legislators.)

There are two more positions for which there wasn't even anyone to fill. These are Coordinator of Educational Services and Coordinator of Minority Affairs . . . two more paid administrative positions.

Maybe it's wrong to assume the appointments made by the three-Magi-

minus-one weren't wise. The fact remains that *there was no student input in these decisions.*

No students were involved in the decision to eliminate certain positions. None were consulted in the new appointments. Neither was there any student advice in the creation of the unique bureaucracy they're now stuck with.

According to the January 3 issue of the *Weekly Communicator*, "the new administrative arrangement will streamline and coordinate functions, place more emphasis on student development and better utilization of professional staff, and will clarify student services . . ."

But what is the Chancellor's idea of streamlined? It seems almost like a splintering or fragmentation of functions.

Granted, there may be more emphasis on student development but how, in the name of Kent State, will students know who to go to with their problems?

Communication between students and administrators will almost have to suffer — because there are so many more to hunt down now.

Perhaps students will learn a lesson from this: beware of administrators bearing secret gifts. Especially when the gift is more administrators.

Maybe it's just as well the Christmas vacation will be shorter next year.

C.S.

## LETTERS

### Astro Turf Not Top Need

Rumors abound throughout the Omaha community concerning suggestions to install some form of artificial turf on U.N.O.'s football field. Such action would ostensibly be in conjunction with general efforts to upgrade the university's sports program. Aside from the general question of U.N.O.'s sports program, serious questions about university values and priorities necessarily present themselves along with such proposals.

Prior to any commitment on this matter, there should be a complete and open discussion by all interested persons as to the merits of the issue. The expenditure of many thousands of dollars, perhaps hundreds of thousands of dollars, for the purpose of installing artificial turf surely demands clear justification. U.N.O. has many needs other than the one in question. Those supporting installation of artificial turf have the responsibility not only to indicate accurately the amounts of money involved and its sources, but also to explain their reasons for believing such an expenditure should rank among U.N.O.'s top priorities.

A word of caution may serve some purpose at this early juncture in the debate. Questions of this variety often tend to become clouded with extraneous issues. Public

discussion, to be informative and useful, must be confined to the question at hand: In terms of university priorities, can the installation of artificial turf be justified? The burden of proof lies with those who have suggested its need.

Sincerely,  
J. Riley, Ph.D. Asst. Prof.  
Political Science Dept.

### Pen and Sword Opens File

Dear Editor,

Over the Christmas vacation break the Pen and Sword Society rendered a service to the university. For quite some time it has been a subject of controversy for some students as to how much benefit bootstrappers are to UNO.

In the Housing Office prior to the beginning of each semester there is rush of students that virtually wipes out the supply of available housing. This semester was happily different.

The Pen and Sword wife's club and the officers of the organization copied almost one hundred listings, from their private files and gave them with no strings attached to the UNO Housing Office.

As far as I'm concerned a hearty vote of thanks is in order by not only me but several dozen students who found a place to live courtesy of the Pen and Sword Society.

Sincerely yours,  
J. C. Casper  
Housing Director

### Grade Delay Fails Student

Dear Editor,

I am a concerned student who is a little mad about report cards taking forever to come. The day I am writing this letter is Wednesday, January 10. I called the Registrar's office and they said that maybe they would get there by Saturday.

This is all well and good, but what if they come MONDAY! "Hishewawa!" (old Mexican saying) We have to register Monday and it is a lousy thing for a person to come home and find he's taking the wrong classes.

Two other complaints I have are the January 5 deadline for grades and teachers who won't post grades.

I would think December 28 would be sufficient time (one week and three days after finals). Why wait till January 5 to have grades done? Teachers who won't post grades make me madder than anything. They won't return finals or give the slightest inclination how the grade went.

I realize the registrar works hard and the teachers try hard. But, in heaven's name, give the students a break.

Concerned Student

### January 20th

Brothers and Sisters,

Tomorrow is the day when the man gets the go-ahead for four more years. It should be a gala event with all the activities one would expect to honor this man.

Some of the main attractions

will be the B-52 squadron flying overhead in a missing wing formation while 110 or so airmen applaud from their front row seats. The men were given special invitation to the occasion since they were unavoidably detained during the Christmas holiday.

Henry K. (standing with his hands in his pockets) offers this advice to those traveling to the event: If you get bombed, don't drive — If you drive, don't bomb.

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Poncho

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## Regents Meeting Short And to the Punt

On Saturday, January 6, the Board of Regents met for the first time in the newly-furnished systems office in Lincoln. The meeting was exceptionally short and this was attributed to the fact that the Hula Bowl was to be on television that afternoon.

Much of the business concerned contracts and salary changes involving UNO's sister campuses. Some of the more noteworthy occurrences was the appointment of two UNO faculty to the systems graduate faculty.

The UNO contribution to the graduate department was overshadowed by 38 representatives appointed from the Lincoln campus and 18 from the Med Center.

A very careful note was made throughout the meeting that all the salary increases and budget expenditures were not additional expenses. This

reluctance to spend was attributed to the fact the university is on a deficit budget and the legislature is currently in session.

While the Elmwood Ravine parking lot issue drags out in court the Regents made provisions to start a feasibility study on a 500-car high rise parking lot for faculty and staff on the east end of the campus.

In further action they approved the recommendations of Chancellor Roskens that the reorganization of the Educational and Student Services sector at UNO be implemented. They also passed the concept that School of Public Administration and Community Affairs (SPACS) be granted full college standing. This action can only be done when the legislature approves although little opposition is expected.



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## SAM

The Society for the Advancement of Management, S.A.M., will hold its first meeting of the second semester this Sunday, January 21, 1973 at the Shalimar Club House (66& Ames) from 7:30-8:30 p.m.

S.A.M. is a nationally recognized organization of managers in industry, business, and government.

All students with a sincere interest in the art and science of management are cordially invited to attend this meeting.

FREE refreshments (BEER) will be served.

## I.D. Cards

J. D. Ochsner, Director of Business Services, sends out this timely message to students of all activities: "I.D. cards for the second (spring) semester 1973 will be available at the Information Desk, first floor Milo Bial Student Center on January 18, 1973 for students

who have pre-registered. I. D. cards for all other students will be available at the same location within one week of the first day of classes."

The I.D. card admits you to most of the campus activities that you have already paid for and it's necessary to check out books. Get yours while the supply lasts.

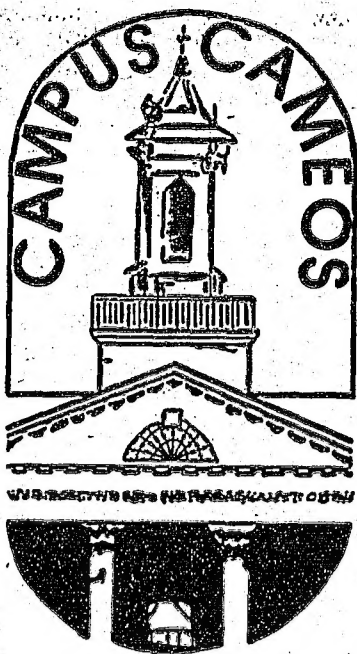
## Senate Seats

The speaker of the Student Senate has announced vacancies that are now up for appointment by the senate. Representatives are needed for the Education College (1), the Sophomore class (1), and a possible opening for a new Arts and Sciences senator.

Applications are in MBSC 232. The appointments will be made February 1 at the senate meeting.

## Committees

The UNO Student Government needs students to



sit on the various student committees. These committees study and make recommendations of the various campus activities and organizations.

If interested, please submit your application in the Student Government Office, Room 232 MBSC. Check with Mrs. Berenson concerning the committees that have openings so you can choose what committee you wish to be on.

## Book Exchange

The UNO Student Government Association will once again try to reduce the cost of learning by conducting a student Book Exchange.

The Book Exchange attempts to get used books from student to student and avoid the middleman and his 50% mark-up in the bookstore.

If you want to sell some of your books at your price, take them to the Student Government office between now (right now) and Thursday, January 25th.

The books will go on sale today in MBSC 232 and will continue through Friday, February 2nd. The cash you save may be your own.

## Who's Who?

Twenty-one University of Nebraska at Omaha students will be listed in the 1972-73 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges," following their nomination by UNO faculty.

They are: Bruce Acquazzina, Linda Anderson, Susan Anderson, Sandra Baxter, Charles Brix, Laura Havelka, Patricia Hornig, Patricia House, Donna Iverri, Susan Jaksich,

David Ksiazek, Maureen Kraniewski, Mary Lynch, Charles McWhorter, Paul Martinez, Thomas O'Neill, Carol Schrader, Lawrence Schwartz, Carol Strother, Verlanda Thompson and Mary Wees, all of Omaha.

## NBC News

Don't forget the press conference and public program featuring five top NBC news correspondents next Monday, January 22.

The press conference will be on campus at 10:00 a.m. in the University Theatre in the Administration building.

The public program will be at 7:30 p.m. in the Omaha Civic Auditorium Music Hall.

No charge will be made to either event to UNO students with current I.D. (do you have yours yet?) Students must secure tickets in the University Relations Office, Adm. 272, or at the information desk in the Student Center.

## R.A.P.E.

The Record Association for Progressive Education (RAPE) is looking for a new board of directors.

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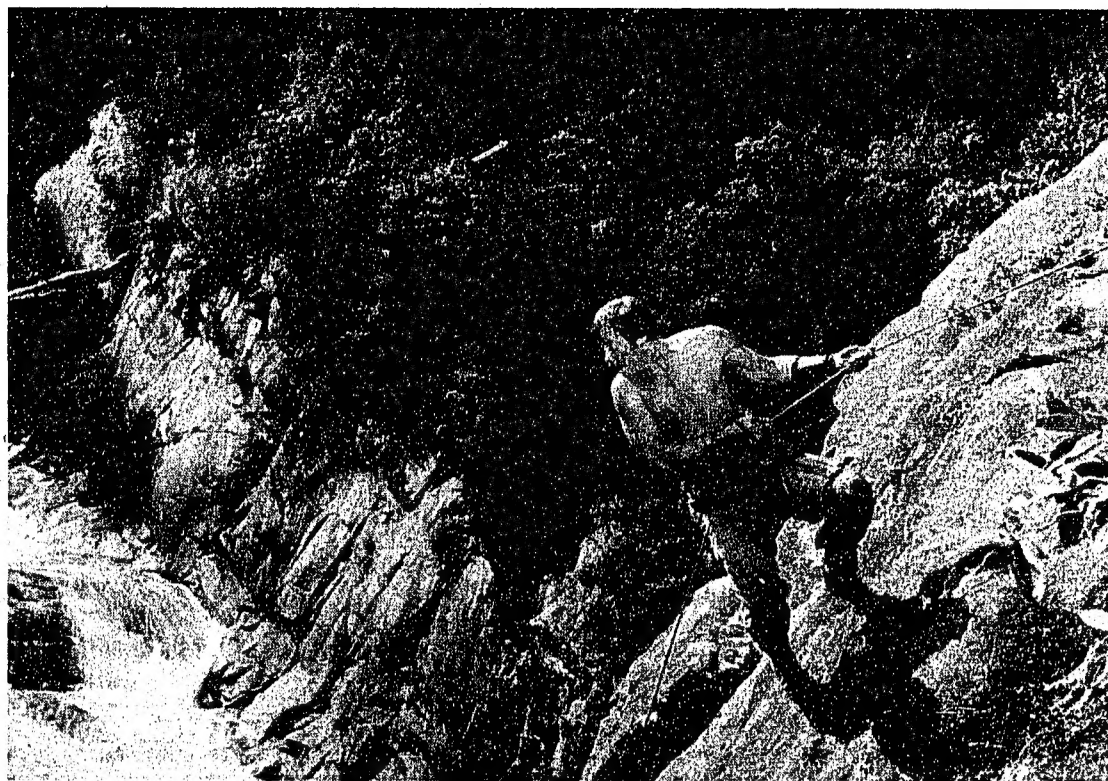
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## — CELLULOID STRIP — DELIVERANCE EXCELS

"And now, for the best score of the year in a major motion picture — may I have the envelope, please . . . The award for the Best Score of the Year goes to the mountaineers from DELIVERANCE."

For most, the violence and perversion of the scene involving the mountaineers was revolting but there is little doubt as to its necessity. The primitive sadism of the two was a much-needed vehicle in rerouting Louis, Ed, Bobby and Dru, four suburban males, from their weekend joyride to a few days

"getting back to nature," in a life and death struggle.

DELIVERANCE succeeds in presenting a fast-paced, action-filled drama pitting those eternal foes, man and nature. The four city men are a strange grouping for an adventure of this type. Louis is the self-made he-man who has been preparing himself for man's eventual return to the primitive life and because of this considers himself far superior to his companions. Ed is a mild-mannered businessman whose self-assurance has a tendency to falter — at inopportune times. Bobby portrays the typical rotund jokester whose place is

on the golf course; not shooting the rapids. The most interesting character in the film is Dru. A sensitive, intellectual man he cannot adjust to the violence and gore and it is this inability that causes his doom. Together they form an unusual ensemble to tangle with the rugged wiles of the river.

The celluloid copy of James Dickey's novel DELIVERANCE is handled quite aptly by director John Boorman and his crew. The acting was of high quality as Jon Voight as Ed gave an outstanding performance. Also to be noted is Burt Reynolds' portrayal of Louis Medlock. In what would have to be considered his first major dramatic role (not constantly running and jumping) he excels.

If I do have a major complaint concerning the film it is the questionable depth of the characters in the screenplay. The effect given was that the four men were rather shallow (unlike the novel) as only scattered bits and pieces of their personality fell into place. Perhaps Boorman decided to concentrate on the action and reaction of the situation rather than delve into the men. If so it is understandable; but not forgivable.

## SPO FILM

The SPO movies tonight (Friday, Jan. 19) combine a taste of the present with a nostalgic tidbit from the past. The first film, which starts at 7:30, is TWO LANE BLACKTOP. It is the story of three young drag racers who tour the country pitting their cars and abilities against each other for high stakes. Warren Oates, James Taylor, and Dennis Wilson are featured.

After a brief intermission (sorry, no refreshments) a classic from about twenty years ago, AFRICAN QUEEN, will be shown. The unimitable Humphrey Bogarde along with Kathryn Hepburn star in this tale of a river boat in Africa.

It all begins at 7:30 tonight in the Library Conference Center Auditorium. Admission is free.

## REFLECTIONS

BY

GARY

NORTON

## What is a Critic?

At the beginning of each season become a tradition of sorts. I ordered entertainment editor a cordial greeting, defecated performances of previous seasons then preview the spellbinding stimulating and morally uplifting be offered in his self-proclaimed perfection — his section.

As your Spring, 1973 neophyte entertainment I took it upon research this opening-day hostility and self-glorification begin with the results of my that you, the reader, under entertainment editor is by definition several cases only by definition then the question arises, what

What is a Critic?

That's a very good question asked it. Throughout recorded mankind has asked, gone on to this day is still left wondering actually is. The answer is relatively takes very little thought to consider.

The critic is a vain, egotistical bastard who believes that a gives him the right to air his whom-ever or what-ever he is in itself is nearly acceptable enraging quality of a critic is that all that hear to believe and

## LA SCENE

(The Stage)

by CHARBON

## "I DO . . ." THEY DON'T

Omaha Playhouse

In the presentation of true art, it has been said that the frame should never outshine the work of art. The same dictum is applicable to the theatre. Unhappily, the present offering at the Omaha Playhouse bears a striking resemblance to a magnificent massive picture frame embracing an ancient faded photograph.

R. Thomas Casker's beautifully designed and smoothly moving set (at least after the tragic bumbling of the first change) was a masterpiece. The newly installed lighting equipment was used masterfully to create some of the best transitional effects seen in Omaha theatre.

I Do! I Do!, the Tom Jones, Harvey Schmidt adaptation of Hartog's play "The Fourposter," is a grueling vehicle for two and only two performers. It requires a tremendous stamina and the utmost concentration especially to the aging process necessary to carry off the concept of a couple's first fifty years of marriage. While there was youth and age, the latter achieved at two portable makeup tables in full view of the audience, there was little or no evidence of "middle age" in either of the characters. PEGI STOMMES, the "She" of the piece handled her assignment in generally acceptable fashion, indeed the high point of the show was her rendition of "Flaming Agnes."

JERRY STOMMES, "He," was badly inadequate musically. It was a problem of either trying to sing the score an octave low or in a voice which was totally wrong for the written range of the score. Direction which causes a performer to face upstage while singing is highly questionable. There is a theatrical trick called "cheating" to the audience which, when employed, eliminates this error.

Bob Edson's musical direction and use of an offstage orchestra was nice as were Shirli Frank's costumes. Valerie Petersen's choreography was obviously limited by the ability of Mr. Stommes.

## AROUND TOWN

What's coming up in theatrical Omaha? Just about anything your pretty little heart desires. Par example . . .

UNO THEATRE opens the second semester with Ben Jonson's Elizabethan black comedy THE ALCHEMIST under the direction of Dr. Robert Moore. Mainstage production dates are March 2, 3 and 4.

SUDDENLY LAST SUMMER, an intense and compelling drama by Tennessee Williams will be directed by Dr. Edwin Clark and will play in the intimacy of the studio theatre on March 15, 16, 17 and 18.

Mr. Irwin Schlass, whose brilliant production of "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" closed last semester's season, will direct Jules Pfeiffer's "biting satirical indictment of life lacking morality," LITTLE MURDERERS. This final mainstage production will play April 20, 21, and 22.

Three student directed one act plays will perform in the studio theatre as the final theatrical offering of the season.

CHANTICLEER, the Council Bluffs Community Theatre will open WHAT THE BUTLER SAW on Jan. 26 to play for two weekends. The Bard's eternal ROMEO AND JULIET will play in March and, if you're an opera buff, Gunoud's R and J will be performed by the Omaha Opera Company in latter February. The Joe Smith Theatre's final endeavor is scheduled to be CABARET.

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immediate audience doesn't accept him as a messiah and his words as the gospel he must crawl-off to re-build his ego by re-asserting his superiority over those he can. The oddity is that in most cases this measure is unnecessary; a good portion of the populace does take heed.

To watch these insipid, mindless sheep brings back vivid memories of a crowded stadium, the lights glowing brightly casting their luminous rays on a single object at midfield. A wave of nausea floods over as you realize that it's a pulpit. A disembodied, seemingly heavenly chorus begins singing praises of Hosanna and suddenly a figure appears in the wooden structure; none other than the renowned evangelist, Billy Graham.

He begins, "Ma friends, ma fellow Americans, we are beseiged by an evil, vile godless group. Yes, I said a godless group who are attempting to corrupt our poor helpless children by means of . . . pornography in the cinema. Look ma friends," he says as he holds up a large picture blown-up from a movie frame, "look and witness for yourself. This innocent-appearing picture is the work of the devil himself, with help from the commies, no doubt. Look and behold. Bambi has pubic hair."

"Ooh my, Lord save us," cries the mass. Billy continues, "this film is evil in its vilest

form but thank God, I say Praise the Lord, redemption is on its way. I have with me tonight a precious copy of that righteous film containing the entire screening of the Checkers speech starring that devout man Richard M., himself. And as an added bonus we will also see our hero defeat that filthy, fat little red in the Kitchen Debate. This is wholesome, pure of heart entertainment and is full of what America and Christianity believe in. It should be owned by every Godfearing being on this planet. Do you believe me, children?"

"We believe, Billy."

"I said do you believe, children?"

"HALLELUHIA, PRAISE THE LORD AND TRICKY DICK, WE BELIEVE, BILLY."

"Then step forward and receive my blessing along with a copy of the film."

Chaos erupts as every soul tries to be the first to receive and display their religious patriotism (or is it patriotic religiousness?).

It is a remarkable hold such as this; an unyielding base of power that the critic brings to bear against the populace. With this tyrannical control they have had it in their hands to make or break an art form.

But the critics are beginning to cower and cringe in fear as their worst nemesis is arising; a surge of independence. Yes, there is a trend developing in which the individuals

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## SPO CALENDAR

The Student Programming Organization (hereafter known as SPO) is attempting to match or better their performance last semester; one of the best on record. Thus far, it is in the realm of possibility that they will succeed in this task.

A tentative schedule of upcoming events is:

Sunday, Jan. 28, 8:00 p.m. — Ballroom — Flash Cadillac and the Continental Kids.

Wed. Febr. 7, 1:30 — Ballroom — William Rusher, Publisher of the Nat'l Review.

### SPO Films

The SPO Friday night film series is filled with high quality, diversified shows. They will be shown at 7:30 in the Library Conference Center Auditorium. Jan. 19 — Two Lane Blacktop — African Queen

Jan. 26 — Airport Hotel.

Feb. 2 — Pursuit of Happiness Minnie and Moskowitz

Feb. 16 — Act of the Heart Trojan Women

Feb. 23 — The Fixer Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich

March 2 — Andromeda Strain Willard

March 9 — Lovers and Other Strangers The Baby Maker

March 16 — Music Lovers Charly

March 23 — Gimme Shelter Last Movie

March 30 — Monte Walsh Sterile Cuckoo

April 6 — Hail, Hero Patton

April 13 — Shaft Soul to Soul

April 20 — Play Misty For Me Panic in Needle Park

April 27 — Long Ago, Tomorrow Fools

May 11 — Sweet Charity A Session With the Committee

Several other ideas which have not received final approval from the SPO board but are floating around are the appearance of David Susskind debating a feminist and a concert featuring either Carly Simon or Helen Reddy with John Prine.

On Friday, Febr. 10 SPO, with the assistance of Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity will present the all-girl band Vixen. Donations are to be collected during the dance for Project Blue Blanket.

The premiere event of the semester-to-come will be the formal opening of the Performing Arts Building. SPO again will play their part in this gala affair by assisting Phi Mu Alpha music fraternity in presenting trumpeter Clark Terry of Tonite Show fame. He will be backed-up by the UNO Jazz Ensemble.

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## REFLECTIONS

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are questioning the omnipotent power of the entertainment demagogues and to an extent usurping their stifling hold over the arts.

There is a major flaw in the idea of a total separation and complete independence; it leaves the masses acutely susceptible to the tricks of the P.R. man (worse than a critic) and the views of the people

tend, at times, toward the simplistic thereby causing many great works to go unheralded.

### Ergo Ego

The critic, especially those whose egos have a tendency to occasionally falter have found it necessary to take certain measures to regain not only their pride but their followers. A haughty, suave intellectual approach is utilized with considerable success as is the vain,

pompously malevolent form of attack. Using these (along with several other) weapons the critic has begun to gain back some of the lost ground.

### Around Campus

This campus has been no exception to the writer-ego dilemma in the past and I haven't any doubt that after this semester it will arise again. When the occasion does arrive; thanks to this article you'll be able to understand the situation and take pity, they will probably need it.

Incidentally, I would like to extend a cordial greeting to all and welcome you back. I also pledge to you that this section will not display the insipid unorganized ways that were omnipresent last semester. This, of course, was due entirely to the incompetent previous editor. A few of the awe-inspiring plans in store for this Spring, 1973 are . . . .

(Do you believe, children?)

## Dr. Rex Engebretson to Head 1973 Campaign for March of Dimes

Dr. Rex Engebretson, head of Campus Planning at UNO, has been appointed the 1973 campaign chairman for the Omaha March of Dimes.

Engebretson has served on the March of Dimes Board of Directors for two years and took an active part in conducting the annual Walkathon last April whose focal point was the university.

Bob Seitzer, another leading member of the Omaha chapter, said Engebretson was chosen on his own qualification of efficiency, and not for his administrative position in the University.

As director, Engebretson will serve as over-seer and coordinator of all the organization's money-raising activities. He will also take part in originating programs and choosing personnel to direct each separate activity.

The money raised throughout the year is used to finance research and education in the field of birth defects. The Omaha chapter does not, however, have final control over the allocation of its resources. A share of the money raised is sent to the national headquarters which regulates all the large grants.

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## Smoke and Fire Detection in UNO Fieldhouse Approved

The University of Nebraska at Omaha Fieldhouse now meets existing fire codes, according to

notification received by UNO officials from the State Fire Marshal's Office.

It is anticipated that this is the first in the series of such notices to be received at the UNO campus which now is in midst of a \$270,000 project to upgrade facilities to meet fire regulations.

The Fieldhouse renovation, completed last fall, included installation of fire doors and a smoke detection system.

Fire alarm systems, smoke detectors and new smoke screens (walls and doors at the ends of hallways) are being placed in the UNO Administration Building, the Engineering Building, Eppley Library and the UNO Center for Urban Education at 3805 N. 16th St.

Don Peterson, director of campus construction, said UNO needs an additional \$100,000 to complete the projects. More doors should be installed in the Engineering and Administration Buildings, he said, and there should be two additional fire stairs at the south end of the Administration Building.

UNO's newest buildings, Allwine and Kayser Halls, were built to meet fire code regulations. UNO officials have worked with representatives of the state fire marshal's office in renovating the other campus buildings to meet fire codes.

### STUDENT ACTIVITIES BUDGET DEADLINE

Groups and organizations interested in submitting a budget to the Student Activities Budget Commission for the '73-'74 academic year may pick up forms in MBSC Rm. 232 any week day. Budgets for Student Activities funding may be turned in MBSC Rm. 232 no later than January 25, 1973. For information, call Ext. 620.

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# Eyein' Sports

## 'NCAA Rulings Favor UNO'

How did you spend your Christmas vacation? UNO Athletic Director Clyde Biggers spent part of his in Chicago attending the National Collegiate Athletic Association annual national meeting.

While UNO is not yet a member of the NCAA, Biggers was acting as the official representative for the university. UNO is expected to be readmitted to the NCAA next fall.

"This was probably the most potent national meeting since 1952," Biggers said Tuesday. "And the top four decisions made at that meeting all basically favor UNO and our plan for upgrading the athletic program."

Biggers said that the four top decisions include: a defeat of a measure that would have reorganized the NCAA; the defeat of the 1.6 rule; the approval of limits on all athletic squads; and the defeat of a clause that would allow aid to be given only because of need.

Biggers said acceptance of the three programs and the non-approval of the squad limitation ruling would have hampered UNO's athletic course.

He explained each of the decisions.

He said that the reorganization of the NCAA would have been into two groups: the super powers (approximately 55-70 schools) and the rest of the present NCAA, which would encompass a "wide variance of programs."

Under such a reorganization plan, UNO would have been put into the second division.

Biggers said the school they then would be forced to compete for the governing powers with schools who wanted no aid for athletes.

This would be detrimental to UNO's development. Most of the no-aid schools are from the East and have programs that are not similar to the university's.

Biggers said he felt eventually reorganization will come about with three divisions. "You would have your super powers, a middle division which would include schools with good sound programs and a third division that would want no aid for athletes."

Biggers said the defeat of the 1.6 rule, which required athletes to carry at least a 1.6 grade average (four point scale) was not a "non academic move."

Instead, he feels that the 204-187 defeat of the rule was due to its "impossibility to administer. It was unworkable," he said because of the different type of standards set up by the NCAA.

The meeting then voted that a standard two-point average be adopted.

Non-workable and impossible to administer also spelled the death of the aid based on need clause, Biggers said.

Approximately 80% of the schools represented voted against the need clause which would require a school's giving aid only to those athletes showing actual financial need.

Part of the clause's administrative problems was the series of complicated rules, legal documents and complicated charts that would have to be used to verify whether or not an athlete was in need of aid.

The fourth favorable decision was the size limitation of all squads in every sport.

Biggers said that this will cause the bigger universities to use a "little more expertise in recruiting" instead of recruiting anyone who might be a prospect.

This will enable UNO to go after better type prospects when recruiting because "all the blue chippers won't be grabbed up by the bigger universities."

Biggers also confirmed that full NCAA membership should be granted to the university before next fall. He said that a polling of District Five schools will soon take place and that only a simple majority will be required to readmit the university back into the NCAA.

## Ailing UNO Can't Lose

UNO basketball coach Bob Hanson hopes that the familiar surroundings of the UNO fieldhouse will help his team get back in the winning groove when they meet Fort Hays State Friday night.

Hanson, who said that his squad can not afford to lose another Great Plains Athletic Conference game, will send his 8-5 Mavericks against the Tigers at 7:30 p.m.

The Mavericks have found playing at home rewarding this year as they have reigned as victor in six of eight field house contests.

But when they ventured elsewhere Hanson's squad has come out losers three of five times.



NELSON ... starter.

UNO, now 2-2 in the conference following weekend losses to Northern and Southern Colorado, needs to win to remain in the title race.

They tuned up for the now important clash with Fort Hays with a record setting 110-62 win over Chadron State Monday night.

But the Mavericks may go into the contest ailing as no less than five players have been bothered by the flu or colds.

Randy Worth, 6-3 starting forward, was so ill that he didn't see any action at Chadron. If he

couldn't start against Fort Hays freshman Kevin Nelson would fill the role.

Dave Ksiazek, senior guard from Omaha South, may also be slowed by a sprained ankle.

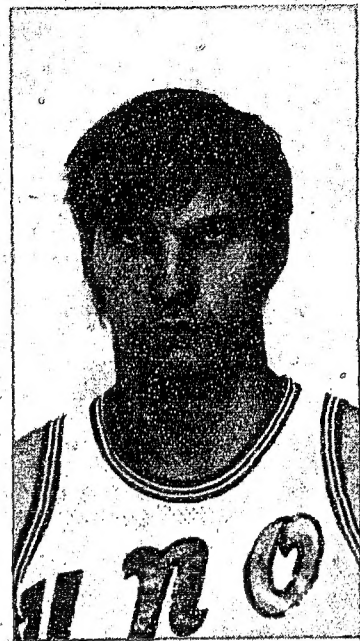
Hanson was pleased with the defense and rebounding of the Mavericks against Chadron State. He said while the Mavericks played probably the best they had all year against Northern in the first half, "we stood around and didn't do anything" in the second half to blow a 16 point lead and lose 72-65.

Friday night the Mavericks will have to concern themselves with stopping the Tiger attack led by Greg Standish and Barton Snow.

Standish, a 6-5 senior, is leading the team with a 13.7 average. Snow, an excellent jumper for 6-3, was averaging 16.2 rebounds and 13.0 points a game.

Cal Forrest, who is scoring at a pace that could eventually

make him the Mavericks leading all-time scorer, has 254 points in 13 games for a 19.5 average.



WORTH ... ill.

## Intramural News

Vag's Stags and The Pack emerged from the second annual semester break intramural basketball tournament as champions.

Vag's Stags earned the Class A crown in the double elimination tourney by breezing by four opponents and dumping Lambda Chi 40-36 in the finals.

The Pack, beaten in Class B by the R. P.'s 44-38, avenged that loss with a 45-41 win to gain their championship.

Intramural director Bert Kurth estimated that over 500 students participated in the three day tournament which saw 45 games played.

Regular season play begins Monday. Additional information can be obtained from Kurth, fieldhouse office #15.

## Matmen Home Saturday

After completing the most ambitious road trip ever undertaken by a UNO wrestling squad, the Maverick matmen open a month long home stand Saturday night in the fieldhouse.

Fort Hays and Yankton invade for a 6:30 triangular match.

The Mavericks have returned from a California whirlwind tour that saw them win three of six matches against NCAA schools.

Included on the ten match home stand are matches with Oregon State (Feb. 9), Oregon (Feb. 10), Wayne State (Feb. 14), and Wyoming (Feb. 16).

## Cardwell: Two Mile Champs Could Repeat

Ten UNO indoor trackmen journey to Kansas City this weekend to compete in the eighth annual NAIA National Indoor Track Meet.

Heading the list will be the Maverick's defending two mile relay squad. UNO also won the one mile relay last season but injuries will force Coach Lloyd Cardwell from entering a team in this year's meet.

In addition to the two mile relay team, George Davis will compete in the open 440-yard dash; Bill Woods in the 600-yard run; Tom McCormick in the 880-yard run; Lance Herold in the two mile walk; and Tim Newberry and Tom Schrad in the high jump.

"We feel we have a real good chance for contesting for the team title plus defending our two mile relay crown," Cardwell told the Gateway Tuesday.

The two mile squad, made up of Mark Wayne, Tom McCormick, Dave Micheels and Greg Rosenbaum, tuned up for the national test by running a school record 7:48.8 at last Saturday's Doane Invitational Relays.

"If the boys can stay healthy and run the same basic race they did at Doane," Cardwell explained, "we have a real fine chance to repeat."

Staying healthy has been another matter for Cardwell's mile relay squad.

Gary Bragdon and Willie Bob Johnson, both members of the 1972 champions, have both been

ailing. Bragdon has a recurring ankle injury and Johnson has been sick and has not done any running.

In addition, Davis developed a slight blister on his foot at Doane. Cardwell felt George wouldn't be able to compete in both the 440 and the mile relay.

"I'm disappointed that we can't enter a team especially since we're defending champs."

Last year, UNO finished fourth in the national meet. Cardwell said he felt that with the right series of breaks plus some good performances that this year's squad could possibly better that performance.

Cardwell said that he would be disappointed if Davis and Woods didn't advance into the finals but was quick to add that in a national meet with so many competitors you need a little bit of luck to make it to the finals.

"Sometimes, you get all the fast boys in the same heat," he pointed out, "and they eliminate each other. Others in different heats may not run as fast but still advance because they finished high in their heats."

Cardwell was pleased with the performances of his squad at the Doane Invitational and said part of the success in that meet was due to the hard work the Mavericks put in over Christmas vacation.

"Bill Woods put two good races together and looked good," he said.

He also praised the development of some of the newer faces in his squad of 25.

He said that Sam Evans (sprinter), Dan Cutler (sprinter), and Frank Borowika (a hurdler) especially looked good for the first time out. He feels that all three newcomers could develop into fine performers before the season's over.

But most of Cardwell's thoughts for this week centers around the national meet and the possibility of having a number of Mavericks earn All-American honors in Kansas City.

To become an All-American in track, you have to finish in the top three in the individuals events or first in a relay.

Last year, UNO had eight All-Americans return from Kansas City.

This year, Cardwell wishes he could return ten.

### 1973 INDOOR TRACK SCHEDULE

Jan. 19 & 20	NAIA National Indoor Meet	Kansas City
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Febr. 10	U.S.D., U.N.O., Hastings and Doane.	Crete
Febr. 17	U.N.O. Inv. Relays	Omaha
Febr. 23	Univ. South Dakota, Concordia College	Omaha
March 2	Kearney State	Omaha
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Correspondents *Bob Hager*, Bonn, Germany, and Moscow; *Doug Kiker*, Washington; *Ray Scherer*, London; *Pauline Frederick*, United Nations; and *Liz Trotta*, Far East, are scheduled to attend two informative programs next Monday, January 22.

The first program will be a press conference at UNO in the University Theatre. The conference, to begin at 10:00 a.m., is free to faculty, staff, and students. After news media representatives are completed interviewing the correspondents, the UNO faculty, staff, and students attending will be permitted to submit questions to the five.

Monday evening, the second program will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Omaha Civic Auditorium Music Hall. The program will be open to the public with a \$2.00 cost per ticket. UNO students will be admitted free to

the event, but must present a validated ticket and hold a current UNO identification card.

The tickets are available in the University Relations office, Adm. 272, or at the Student Center information desk. Current I.D. cards are also at the information desk.

Each correspondent will give a 3-5 minute summary of current developments on his or her news beat; then answer questions from the audience.

The last time such a program was planned for Omaha was nine years ago when NBC provided the correspondents through the cooperation of Dean William T. Utley of Continuing Studies.

Public response has thus far been slower than hoped for according to Charles Hein, Director of University Relations. Since it is so seldom and far apart that Omahans are provided such a first-hand and in-depth opportunity to meet and question the eyes that see for us around the world, the programs should represent time educationally well spent.